Leadership Public Schools San Jose I WAS ACCEPTED! NOW WHAT?

- YAY! Take a moment to celebrate each acceptance!
- Immediately **email your counselor** with the news! (acortez@leadps.org)
- CAREFULLY read (line by line) any communication sent to you by the college regarding your acceptance (could be an email, a letter home or a message on your *portal*).
- Remember, your admission is CONDITIONAL:
 - Your application is a **CONTRACT** and schools are expecting you to complete ALL the classes you reported on your application with at least a C or higher.
 - All CSUs will receive a mid year transcript which will show final semester 1 grades (they need to see a C grade or higher).
 - Your school of choice will receive a FINAL TRANSCRIPT in June, during which they will review your final grades to confirm your admission or take it back.
 - Stay focused on your grades, don't let them slip!
- Continue to check your Portals DAILY (To Do List, Holds and Messages Section) something may appear on your "To Do List" or Messages section at any time!
- Some of your portals will show that you have been accepted to the university but won't show to what program or major. This means that your major is yet to be determined. Be patient, it will show eventually (first choice or alternate).
- CSU EPT & ELM Testing Notices CSU will send blanket (general notices to everyone who
 applied) via email, messages or portal posts telling you that you need to take the EPT and
 ELM. EVERYONE sees/receives the same thing. Refer the the document below to determine if
 you actually need to take either test.
 - What is EPT & ELM Do I need to take it?

• TRANSCRIPTS:

- Private Schools: Counselors will electronically upload your transcript via common app or other electronic submission tools used by private schools.
- UCs: UCs do not request transcripts to evaluate your application. The only time counselors will send transcripts to a UC is AFTER graduation (for students attending a UC in the Fall).
- CSUs: Many CSUs request mid-year transcripts for evaluation purposes.
 - You will need to let Ms.Cortez know if your school is requesting a transcript!. If you don't tell her, she will not send one!
- DO NOT accept admission anywhere until you hear from all the universities you applied to and are
 able to compare the types/amount of financial aid packages each university is offering you. You do not
 need to confirm your admission/acceptance to any college until May 1st! Again, even if you get

accepted to your "dream" school, DO NOT ACCEPT admission until all schools let you know how much financial aid you are receiving (so you can compare). Some schools may not send you financial aid information until APRIL.

- **Apply to Scholarships!** It's great to be accepted, but you need to make sure you will be able to afford it! Make sure you apply to each school's Institutional and Merit Scholarships!
 - UC & CSU Institutional and Merit Scholarships
 - For privates and out of state schools, visit their financial aid website and search for scholarships.
 - Review the LPS Scholarship list often.
- Educate yourself on each school's HONORS Programs. All honors programs vary in benefits/opportunities and requirements. Some programs require students to apply as HS seniors (others don't accept applications until you are enrolled in college):
 - o CSU Honors Programs
 - <u>UC Honors Programs</u>
- ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:
 - o CSU Enrollment & Orientation Info
 - o CSU Enrollment & Orientation Fees